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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

David L. Patton, et al

**MATCHING IMAGE  
CHARACTERISTICS OF STAMPS  
AND PERSONAL IMAGES TO  
AESTHETICALLY FIT INTO A  
PERSONAL POSTAGE PRODUCT**

Serial No. US 09/669,177

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Kindly amend the application as follows.

**In the Claims:**

Please cancel claims 1-15.

Please add the following claims.

*Sub B17*  
16. (New) A personal postal product comprising:  
an personal image product having a top surface and a bottom surface, said top surface having personal image having a designated area where an official postal product may be placed, said designated area being modified based on image characteristic of said official postal product or personal image.

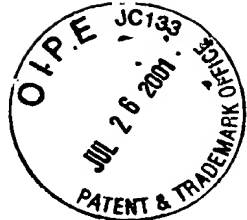
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17. (New) A personal postal product according to claim 16 wherein the image characteristic of the personal image is based on one or more of the following;

the composition

color

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